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Panelists discussed their experiences with the policing of schools, and attendees had the chance to ask questions of the panelists.

Panelists discuss policing students after Spring Valley

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College of Education and School of Law faculty led a discussion about policing in schools and the role of the school resource officer. Each faculty member spoke for an allotted time about a subtopic of policing in schools and then opened the floor to questions from the audience.

Education professor Kara Brown served as mediator between graduate assistant Jennifer Doyle and associate professor Christine Christle, both of the College of Education, and assistant law professors Seth Stoughton and Josh Gupta-Kagan.

After seeing a video of an altercation between a school resource officer and

a student at Spring Valley High School in Columbia, parents, educators and law enforcement officials tackled the question: “What is the role of a school resource officer?”

Gupta-Kagan began the discussion by connecting Ferguson, Missouri, and the altercation that occurred at Spring Valley High School. Gupta-Kagan’s scholarship includes juvenile justice, and he has handled a lot of cases that involve disservice toward students.

Gupta-Kagan emphasized the long-term effects that come from juvenile records and convictions. With many routine discipline issues being treated as criminal issues, students are entered into the juvenile system and have that record follow

them for life. Being in the juvenile court system decreases a student’s chance of graduating, and their juvenile record follows them beyond youth, into college and job applications, he said.

“It’s concerning to me to see kids get juvenile

delinquency records when I think there are better ways to handle that,” Gupta-Kagan said. He presented three solutions to juvenile delinquency that results from discipline issues

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Music students succeed nationally

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Three student flute players represented USC at national flute competitions, each of them taking home a win.

Third-year flute performance student Zach Warren won the Florida Flute Association Young Artist Competition. With the win, he was granted a \$500 prize. Warren has done competitions in the past, and this is his third win. He spoke about the process of the competition.

“You have to send in ... a pre-screening recording and based on that, they’ll invite three or four finalists to the actual convention,” Warren said. “And you go and you play for the panel of judges, and they write comments and everything, and they’ll usually announce the results of the competition later that evening.”

Warren credits his success in part to the USC School of Music, specifically to associate professor of flute, Jennifer Parker-Harley.

“She really encourages all of us to do competitions. And I think that, in general, the School of Music is aiming to educate people on how to be good musicians rather than just be really good at their instrument,” Warren said.

Warren says that he definitely wants to be a full-time performer upon graduation.

Fourth-year flute performance student Samantha Marshall, another musician who competed at a national level, won the Flute Society of Washington Collegiate Soloist Competition.

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Campaign staffers shape SG campaigns

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Each spring semester, the student body is bombarded with fliers, handouts and slogans from a select few who have decided to run for a Student Government executive office. This year, the student body presidential race has

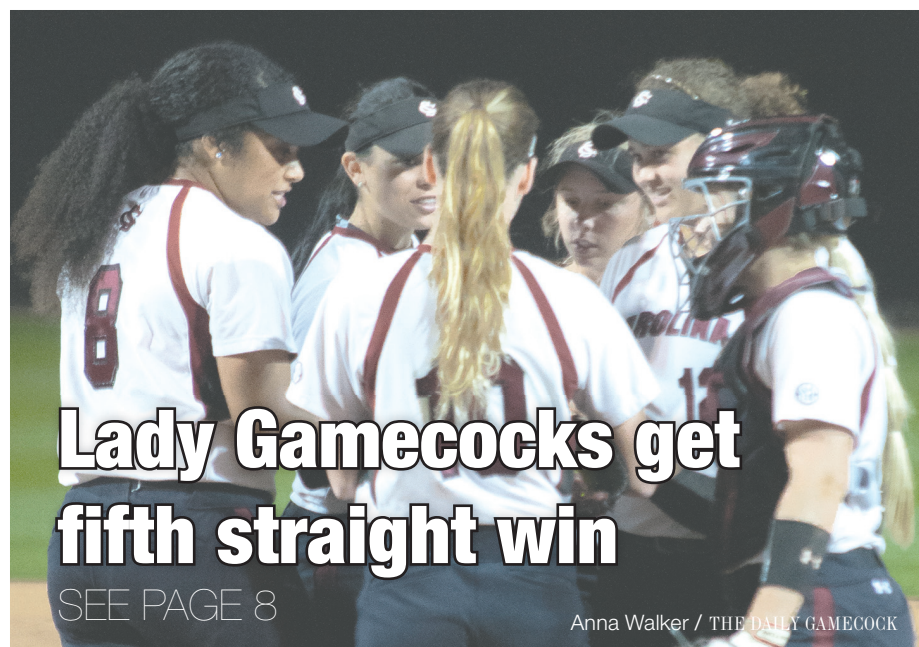
come down to runoff has come down to Trey Byars and Michael Parks.

While most students only see the finished product of the campaign, there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes. Byars’ and Parks’ campaign staffs were vital to the candidates’ success in the election

so far.

Third-year political science student Trey Byars bases his platform on students’ ability to make the Carolina community whatever they want it to be. His campaign team says Byars’ loyalty and dedication to the university will serve

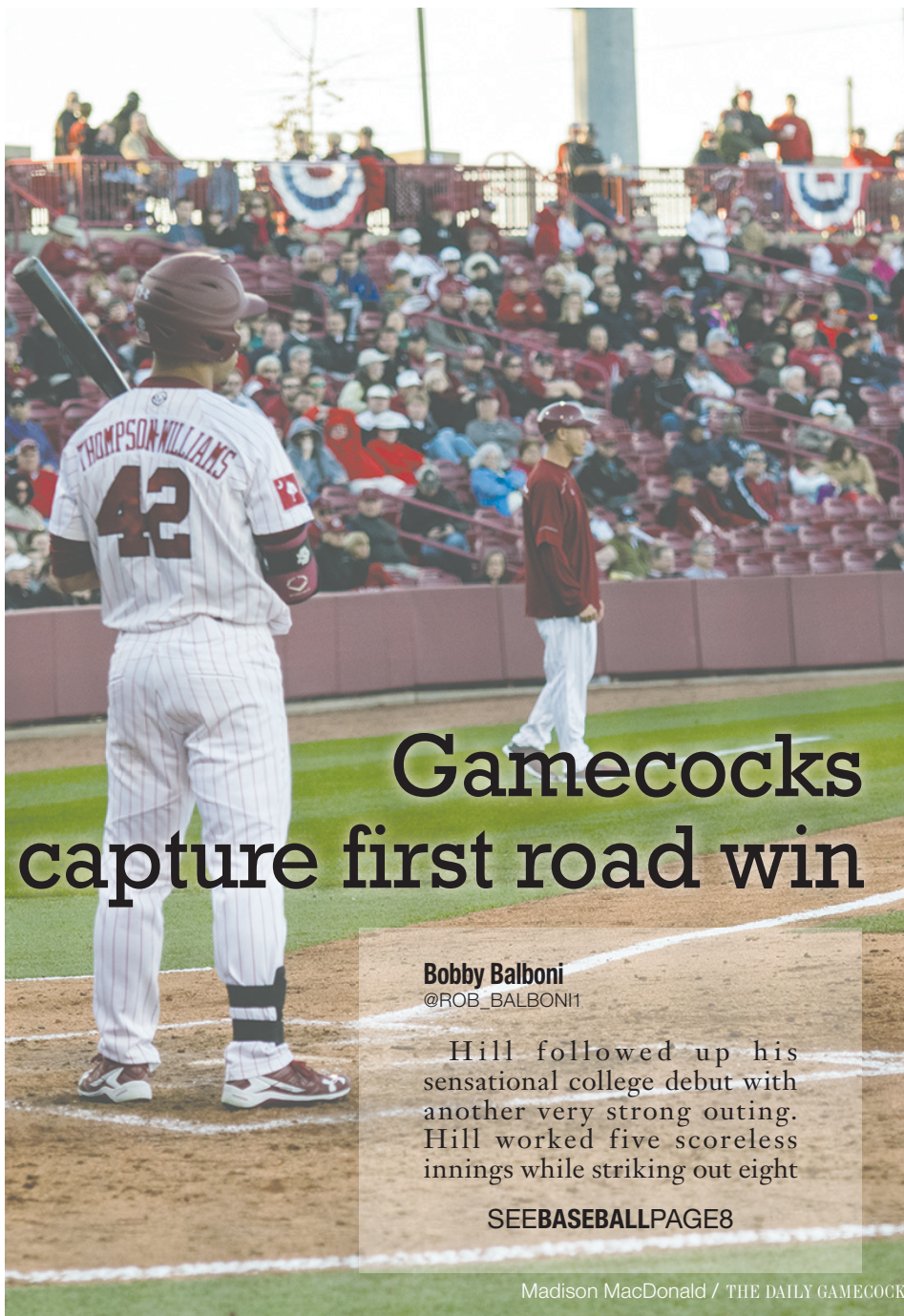
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Lady Gamecocks get fifth straight win

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Gamecocks capture first road win

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Hill followed up his sensational college debut with another very strong outing. Hill worked five scoreless innings while striking out eight

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at school, one being stronger prohibition on school resource officers’ involvement in school discipline.

Stoughton discussed the role of the school resource officer and, more broadly, the role of a police officer. Being a former police officer, Stoughton emphasized the ambassadorial role that police officers have in the community. While a regular police officer has various roles from answering service calls to responding to emergencies, a school resource officer takes on many more roles.

School resource officers were originally put into schools to build relationships with the kids and assume to roles of counselor and mentor along with the roles a regular officer has, he said. After Columbine, school resource officers were then looked to for safety and emergencies instead of mentoring.

Stoughton encouraged drawing a line between what is considered a crime and what is a school discipline issue. Teachers, administrators and officers must be able to distinguish between an emergency situation and a matter of school discipline because that will determine how the situation is handled, he said. With a lack of research and information about police nationally and in schools, good policy is prevented from being created and used.

Christle focused on the school-to-prison pipeline and how the use of suspension in schools is an ineffective punishment. When a student is suspended, their chances of dropping out greatly increase. In terms of

behavior, the punishment of suspension is a reinforcement of the behavior, and does not correct it.

“It would be nice next time to have a situation where we might have small group conversations and hear more from the public as well as panelists,” Christle said after the forum.

As an educator, Doyle is upset that a system exists where violence is possible in school. A former intern at Spring Valley High School, she found that the teachers and administration forget that they are dealing with children.

Doyle pointed out the racial disparities between how students of color are punished compared to white students. When it comes to these situations, she emphasized that teachers have the power to escalate or de-escalate situations and can prevent what happened at Spring Valley from happening elsewhere.

Jennifer Tague, director of operations for South Carolina Equality Coalition, attended because she “wanted to find out more about the officers in the school, not only the racial disparities but with the LGBT side of it — which was not mentioned.” Tague hopes that by speaking up at the forum she can encourage discussion of LGBT disparities and that changes will be made.

After the speakers, members of the community were able to discuss the role of the school resource officer with a panel of experts and members of the school board and police department in hopes of finding an effective solution.

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This competition accepts applicants from states around Washington, D.C., making Virginia-born Marshall eligible.

Similar to the Florida competition, contestants first sent in recordings. Judges then chose three finalists and invite them to perform in a live competition.

The final competition consisted of what Marshall considered a diverse set of music, differing from what she initially performed. She believes this to be, in part, a major challenge she faced.

“The more one attempts such an endeavor, the easier it gets! I believe that’s why Jennifer [Parker-Harley] always keeps the studio informed of upcoming competitions and performance opportunities. I had a blast!” Marshall said.

Marshall initially learned the flute by playing along to movies and CDs, without standardized books or methods.

As a student at the School of Music and under Parker-Harley, she has developed a deep appreciation for technical musical learning.

“I’ve become enamored with the standardized method books that we use because expanding technique means that I am giving myself the tools to play literally any piece of music in any informed way I want to,” Marshall said.

Marshall advocates for making classical music available to anyone. She performs jazz, folk and pop along with her classical performance and study.

Philip Snyder, first-year doctoral flute performance student, also won the Flute Society of Kentucky Young Artist Competition.

Warren, Marshall and Snyder all used their talents to represent their peers, their teachers and the USC School of Music.

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him well if he becomes student body president.

Second-year international studies student Abigail Nugent works closely with Trey as a member of his campaign team. Nugent worked on current Student Body President Jonathan Kaufman’s campaign last year, as well as presidential candidate Marco Rubio’s campaign.

Nugent said she never doubted who she would support in the student government elections this year. She believes that Byars’ passion and integrity will be helpful in representing the student body.

“I’ve worked with Trey for a long time,” Nugent said. “I’ve always been really impressed with his work ethic and his determination and his ability to really bring people together and his passion for his ideas.”

Third-year public relations student Blakeney Powell, who also worked with Nugent on Rubio’s national campaign, serves as Byars’ social media coordinator. She said she works closely with Byars’ campaign manager and reaches out to students via social media to encourage them to vote for Byars.

Powell stressed the importance of both the candidate and his staff in making a campaign run smoothly.

“A lot of people do not realize how many little details go into a campaign, even at a university level,” Powell said. “I would not trade this experience for anything, though. Every long day is worth it when you get to encourage fellow peers to vote for a great guy.”

Nugent said that Byars’ campaign focused on interacting with students and telling them about Byars.

“This is really a grass-roots campaign,” Nugent said. “The more people you talk to, the more people get to hear your ideas, and the more they get excited about voting.”

Third-year finance student Michael Parks’ platform includes several points,

Former South Carolina football player launches congressional candidacy

The State reports that former South Carolina football player Fran Person will look to unseat Rep. Mike Mulvaney in the South Carolina 5th Congressional District. The 33-year-old Democrat of Tega Cay worked for Vice President Joe Biden for many years following his graduation from South Carolina with a degree in political science and international studies. He left the White House in 2014 to return to South Carolina as a special assistant to University President Harris Pastides and Athletic Director Ray Tanner. His work focused on student-athlete well being. Person resigned the position in February. Mulvaney was elected to Congress in 2010 as part of the Tea Party movement, and the 5th district includes much of the York County suburbs of Charlotte.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

Center for abused children gets new home

The Dickerson Children’s Advocacy Center, an organization that works with law enforcement and social services, will move into a new facility in Lexington, according to The State. The organization, which has existed for 20 years, was previously housed in West Columbia. Officials from the Center say the new centralized location puts them closer to law enforcement allowing for faster responses. The Center worked with over 500 children last year.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

City of Columbia issues yearly Water Quality Report

WIS reports that the City of Columbia has reassured residents of the safety of city water in its annual Water Quality Report. The report acknowledges the importance of maintaining quality in light of recent events, including historic flooding that knocked out water for days in SC and the lead water crisis in Flint, Michigan. The City also announced that they will offer free water testing to citizens with copper pipes that may contain lead, and this service can be scheduled by calling the City of Columbia Customer Care Center.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

Correction

A March 1 article said that the Sandy Hook Elementary shooting occurred in 2010. The shooting actually occurred in 2012. The Daily Gamecock regrets this error.

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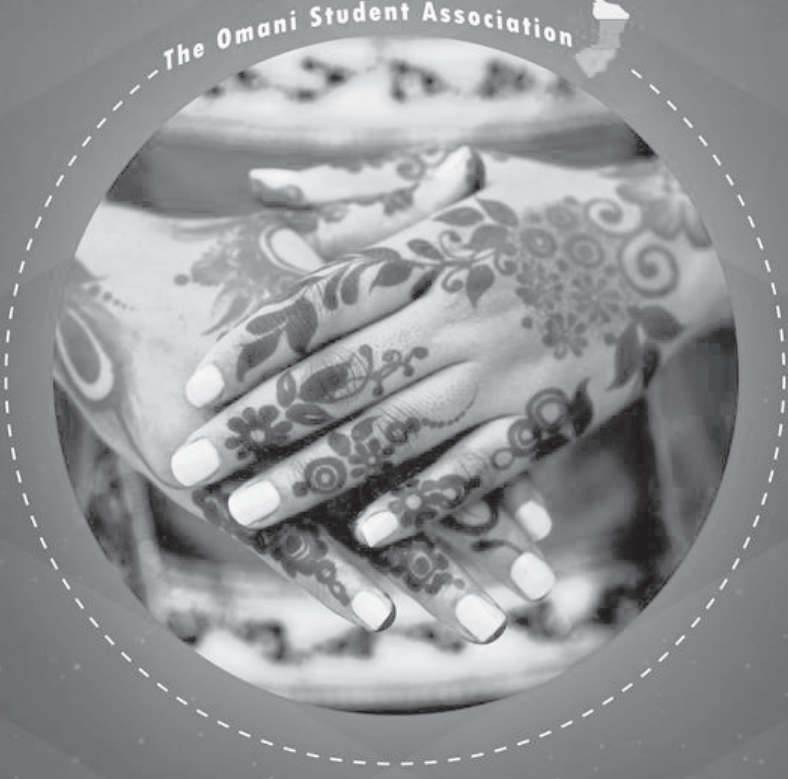
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Henna Night offers examples of Omani culture

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The Omani Student Association is holding its fourth annual Henna Night event for any student or faculty member interested in henna tattoos and learning about Omani culture and traditions.

The event will be March 2 from 7-9 p.m. in the Campus Room of Capstone House and includes several different activities and experiences that introduce USC students to Omani traditions.

The OSA is a student-run organization made up of Omani students studying at the University of South Carolina. Awab Al Kindi, fourth-year mechanical engineering student, said that the organization's goal is to help Omani students integrate into the USC lifestyle and to introduce American students to the culture of Oman through events such as the Arabic corner and Henna Night.

"This year's agenda will include henna drawing by the members of the organization, a traditional Omani dance performance named Albar'aa, a photo booth, food, music and

much more," Al Kindi said.

Henna is a paste-like substance that is used by women in the Middle East and India for making temporary body art that second-year hospitality and tourism management student Abeer Al Saqri said is used "for special occasions like holidays, birthdays and weddings."

Al Saqri, the social chair for OSA and coordinator of Henna Night, is expecting a good turnout.

"The event will be a new experience for people who have never tried Henna, and a fun experience for those who already did," she said.

The OSA is planning several other events for the semester, including an Omani cuisine night in Maxcy College Residence Hall. For information about Henna Night and other upcoming events, students can follow the OSA on Facebook at Omani Student Association at USC, on Instagram at osa_usc or go to their website, www.osausc.com.

"It will be a great cultural night with music, dance and good food," Al Saqri said, "definitely not to be missed!"

Checklist for the perfect spring break

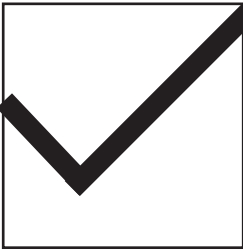


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Spring break is a time to step away from the hectic schedule that comes along with being a college student. With the wonderful week off fast approaching, it is important to plan accordingly for the needs you will face while taking on a week of adventure.

1. Check your schedule before you leave

While this might seem obvious, it's important to note any deadlines or due dates that could be close



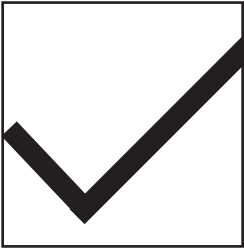
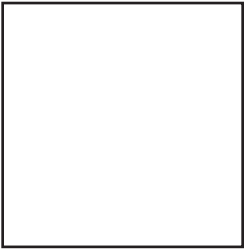
to spring break. Remember, it's only a week off of classes in the middle of the term, which will go by really quickly.

2. If you are fortunate enough to go out of town, prepare for all types of weather when packing

Even if you check the weather forecast before you head out, be sure to pack clothes for all weather conditions. South Carolina is notorious for being sunny one hour and then wet and rainy the next. If nothing else, carry an umbrella. A fun trip can be ruined by the lack of proper clothing.

3. Speaking of packing, if you're flying to a far-off destination, keep a change of clothes in your carry-on

One of my friends had the opportunity to spend two weeks in Germany. For the plane ride, she wore sweatpants and an obnoxious green oversized sweater. Well, when they landed, it turns out the airline had lost her luggage. They found it, but it took the whole two weeks for them to get it back to her. So, she spent her



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Five supremely awesome feminist movie characters

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The word feminism can seem daunting — the media shows feminists as over the top, angry and misandrists — but the majority of those who identify as feminists simply just stand for the equality of sexes. Strong women are everywhere — here are five incredible characters that take their place on the screen.

1. Viola Hastings, played by Amanda Bynes in "She's the Man"

A movie springing from Bynes' golden years of teen comedy, her character Hastings crushes gender roles when she goes under cover as a boy to prove that she is just as good,

if not better, at soccer as them. Not only does she kick butt as a soccer player, but she also ends up with Channing Tatum's character in the end, and if that's not goals, I don't know what is.

2. Elle Woods, played by Reese Witherspoon in "Legally Blonde"

It's about time we reject the notion that the typical "girly-girl" can't be a feminist as well. Sure, on the outside Woods is ditzy and only applies to law school for a guy, but she shows him up by being super motivated, killing it in school and winning a case using her knowledge of fashion. Woods is what all women should aspire to be.

3. Princess Leia, played by Carrie

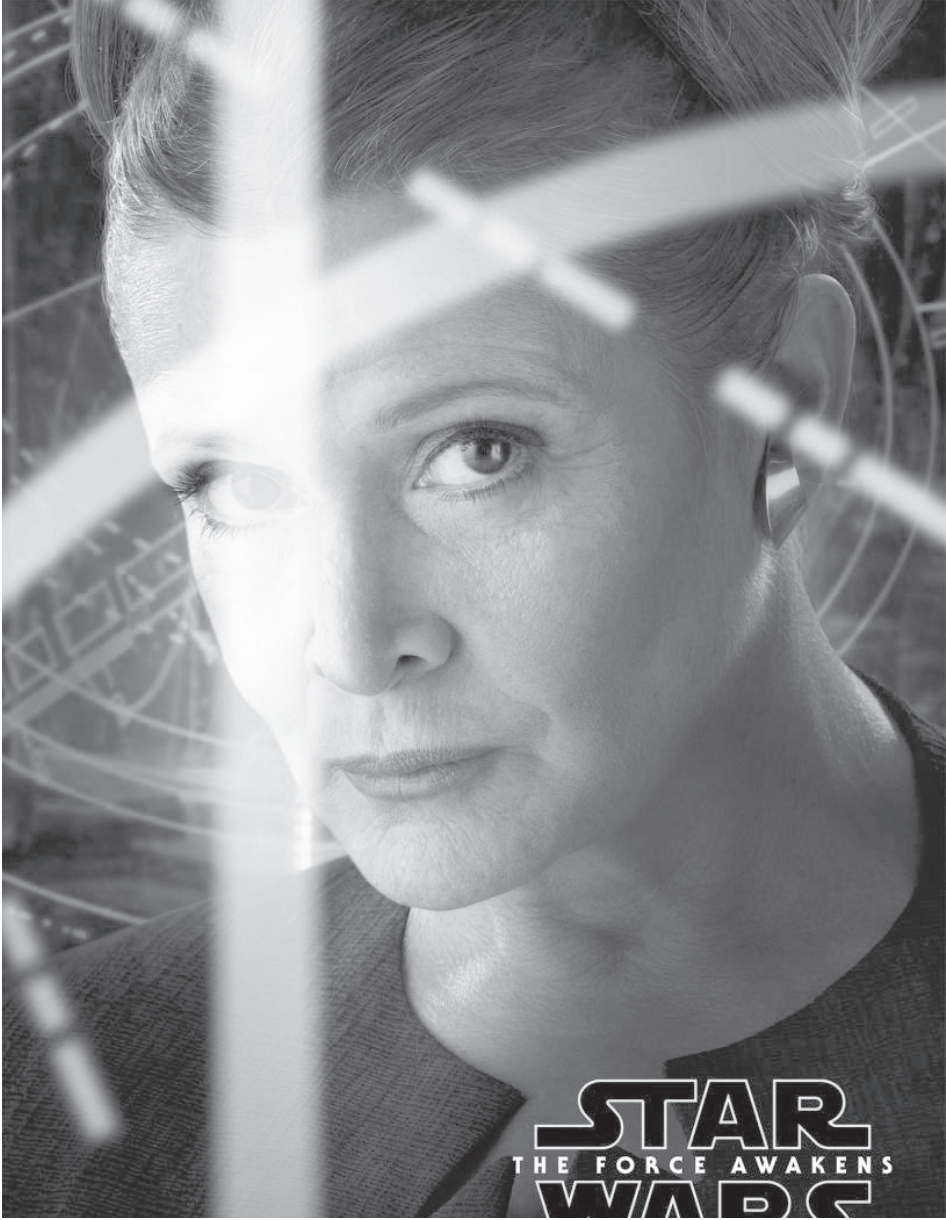
Fisher in the "Star Wars" series

This one should be pretty obvious. Leia is the ultimate power heroine. She's diplomatic, an ace shooter, and can keep up with Han Solo's witty banter. Not to mention that Fisher is an icon in and of herself, having battled bipolar disorder and substances issues and more recently, shutting down haters who attacked her for her age. Carrie Fisher for President 2016.

4. Matilda Wormwood, played by Mara Wilson in "Matilda"

As a kid who always had her nose in a book, Wormwood was a very real role model for me

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Courtesy of Time.com

Carrie Fisher portrays Princess Leia in the "Star Wars" series and is a strong woman on and off of the screen.

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entire trip with nothing to wear but her pajamas. If nothing else, at least carry a change of underwear. Believe me, it really will make all the difference.

4. Be safe

It can never be said enough: if you plan to venture out to new places, keep your personal safety in mind. Give at least one person who is not going on the trip where you plan to stay and when you plan to return. Also, during your daily adventures, be aware of your surroundings.

5. Make a conscious effort to relax

For some of you, spring break is a time to catch up or get ahead on school work, but don't forget that it is meant to be a break for you. This means that, even if you spend six of the seven days thinking about school, you give yourself at least one day

of relaxation. Plan to have it in either the beginning or middle of the week so there is no pressure of upcoming classes.

6. Give yourself enough time to get back into the school mentality

It's easy to fall out of the routine of school, but even more difficult to bounce back into it. Plan out enough time to put all your ducks in a row the night before so that getting back to school goes as smoothly as possible.

7. Lastly, have fun

Whether you plan on a staycation, road trip or full-on adventure to a new part of the country — or another country altogether — just enjoy yourself. The stories made over spring break can become some of the best memories from your college years. There are many ways to have fun, so don't be afraid to try new things and make memories.

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and many other young girls, I'm sure. She solves her problems by being super smart and rising above hardships, which is a great life lesson in general. And just in case she wasn't cool enough, she's so smart that she can move things with her mind. The world needs more strong female characters that encourage reading.

5. Hermione Granger, played by Emma Watson in the "Harry Potter" series

Speaking of girls inspiring others to read, Granger is the epitome of the strong smart female lead. She is constantly the voice of reason to her two, often bumbling, male counterparts. She doesn't care what other people think of her and is unabashedly vocal in her beliefs. And of course, Watson is a huge voice in real life feminism, having helped launch the United Nation's HeforShe campaign for gender equality.





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Mentally ill face diagnosis stigma



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As time goes on, our understanding of psychology and the workings of the human brain expand further and further. In fact, the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, the standard classification of mental disorders used by mental health professionals in the United States, lists more than 300 disorders which humans can have. While the proliferation of information on the subject of mental disorders has helped us identify and assist those suffering from them, the diagnosis also comes at a dangerous and expensive cost: the stigma of having a mental disorder. Once someone is diagnosed with a mental disorder, people tend to view that

individual differently. Someone with bipolar disorder who was previously thought of as demanding could be seen as crazy, and so on. But the worst part is that once someone is labeled as mentally unsound or suffering from a mental disorder, all credibility they had seems to immediately evaporate. Take Howard Hughes, for example, the formerly renowned businessman, aviator and producer — once one of the wealthiest men in the world, today he is thought of as nothing more than an unreliable recluse marred with the label of the obsessive-compulsive disorder which drove him insane. Are we to assume Hughes was any less obsessive-compulsive in his earlier years when he was changing the world? And what if society had diagnosed Mr. Hughes with the reclusive, OCD label earlier in his life? Would he have even had the opportunity to

go attempt his goals? Would anyone have followed him on his far-fetched, crazy but ultimately successful endeavors? Would you follow someone who has been diagnosed with mental illness? Maybe you would, but I believe it is far easier to disregard someone for being “mentally unstable” than to actually take anything they say seriously. According to current research “one in four adults — approximately 61.5 million Americans — experiences mental illness in a given year.” And if this number doesn’t scare you, then it should. More than likely we, as a society, have already stripped away any respect those 61.5 million Americans could ever have gotten from their peers. All because of a label. Imagine if (as is widely thought today) the narcissistic, overly compulsive and borderline sociopathic Steve Jobs had been

diagnosed with a mental disorder. Would Steve Wozniak have ever befriended him? Would anyone have ever invested in Apple when it was a startup led by a mentally ill college dropout? Would Apple have ever taken him back as CEO? Would the personal computer and graphical user interface even exist? We should be careful not to judge a book by its cover. We should be cautious that in the process of diagnosing we do not simultaneously restrict the future endeavors of those we are trying to help. We should help those who need help but at the same time understand that the qualities which make a person “crazy,” which lead to the diagnosis of a mental disorder, are often the same qualities which lead to greatness. As Apple can attest, “Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do.”

How to be manly without being sexist

Many say that the ideas of manliness and womanliness are all but disappearing; these skeptics argue that there are no inherent traits either sex should have, and that the idea that there are is archaic and even sexist. What they fail to realize, however, is that these idealized traits can still serve a purpose in modern society and even on campus. In today’s world where gender roles are all but disappearing, how can a man still be a man while still adhering to modern standards of gender equality? In the past, men have traditionally been the heads of families and the primary earner of income. Nowadays, in most marriages both spouses make decisions together, and the man isn’t always the top earner. For college students in particular, it almost seems that the definition of manliness is defined by the amount of women he can sleep with, how many shots he can handle and if he can carry all of the groceries in one trip. These traits are trivial and irrelevant to one’s masculinity. True manliness is defined by three points: pursue, protect and provide, a model I have changed slightly from the one outlined by the “Art of Manliness” in 2014. The first point, pursue, means that men should always strive to improve the situations of themselves and others. It is wrong for a man to simply sit and idle when there is work to be done. For a man in college, this means that he should be chasing life improvement on all fronts, especially in academics, relationships and leadership. A college man should dedicate the necessary time and dedication to achieve and learn the most he can in college. Not everyone is able to attain a perfect GPA, but a man should be putting in his best effort to prepare himself for his future life. He should also be constantly trying to improve his relationships, whether it

be with friends, family, romantic interests, professors or future employers. Relationships are the key development factor in human life and having strong ties with each of the aforementioned groups is imperative to future and current success. He should pursue leadership. Even if he is an introvert or is not comfortable giving directions to a team, he can still practice self-leadership. A man who is the master of himself and has an understanding of his abilities and limitations is infinitely better off than one who is not. On the matter of protection, college men should strive to be someone who can give good advice and physical assistance. He should be a clear and rational thinker, and ready to assist those around us at any given moment. He should also be physically capable, having the ability and bravery to watch over himself and help others in dangerous situations, and generally be physically fit enough to perform duties requiring strength. The final point is to provide. To fulfill this, a college man must be willing to put others before himself; he should volunteer for the unpopular tasks that still need to be accomplished. In any given situation of this sort, like choosing a designated driver or picking up the tab on a date, he should offer to bear the burden himself. If the other party refuses, then that it fine — it is still nevertheless important for him to always extend the offer. Manliness is still an art which can and should be strived for. To pursue, protect and provide is at the core of what it means to be a man. And it is important to note that while these traits are commonly attributed as masculine, anyone, male or female, can and should strive to improve in these areas. — Morgan Markwood, first-year international business student

GOP spawned Trump



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In the Monday paper, Ben Turner criticized Donald Trump’s racist “southern strategy,” and rightfully so. It’s been observed ever since “The Donald” joined the race for the White House that he brings with him a shadow of racism, nationalism and xenophobia that is unbecoming of American politics. And on Tuesday, Speaker of the House Paul Ryan had some harsh words for the Republican front-runner about his failure to denounce former KKK leader, David Duke, in interviews this weekend. The nominee of the Republican Party “must reject any group or cause that is built on bigotry,” Ryan said. “This party does not prey on people’s prejudices.” He has been echoed in this statement by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. Here’s the problem: They’re wrong. Which is not to say that all Republicans are racist, or that no Democrats are, or that conservatism is a naturally bigoted ideology while liberals are pristine paragons of unbiased thinking. Those things are clearly incorrect, misleading generalizations, and especially when applied to Trump, who is drawing third-party and liberal voters as well as conservative ones, they simply don’t hold water.

But the Republican party clearly has a serious problem, and Trump is the outcome of that problem. Over 35 percent of Republican voters support him, and he’s undeniably racist, or at least doing a wonderful imitation of it. Now, it could be argued that those voters simply have nowhere better to go, since many of the other candidates are undesirable for other reasons. But you only have to look at the demographics of Republican voters to see that that may not be the end of the problem. The Republican voting bloc is older and whiter than that of the Democrats. Coincidentally, older people tend to be more racially prejudiced. And the fact that the current Republican party loses out with every major racial group except white people should say something about whose interests they’re more likely to cater to. The current establishment Republicans, like McConnell and Ryan, favor voter suppression, which disproportionately affects people of color; anti-immigration policies, which extends to their views on refugees; and anti-affirmative action policies. The Republican party of Lincoln was on the side of emancipation, and for years after the end of the Civil War, white southern voters voted Democratic to spite that legacy. In fact, the Republican party has been on the right side of many racial issues, even up through the sixties and seventies. But that is not the Republican

party of today. The Republican party of today — in Washington, state legislatures and the media — supports issues that appeal to its voting bloc, which is an entirely reasonable thing to do. Racist voters are still voters, and they are currently a part of the Republican constituency, even though they haven’t always been. Once upon a time, the Democrats would have been the one appealing to the views of bigoted voters. But the recent GOP catering to these voters has allowed this apparent split of the party between “racist” and “not racist.” Saying that you’re anti-welfare because you “don’t want to make black people’s lives better by giving them someone else’s money” legitimizes racist thoughts about poverty and welfare. Fox News’ repeated claims that racism doesn’t exist anymore have paved the way for Trump to come from behind and surprise leaders who have been subtly appealing to racist attitudes for years. Conservatives may not be racist. But the constituency Republicans have recently constructed has virulently racist strains running through it, and the establishment has been doing nothing to discourage that. Washington Republicans are reaping what they’ve sown with Trump, and reasonable conservatives are paying the price as their party desperately tries to topple their presumptive nominee.

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Aries

The opposition holds out, and it could get tense. Partnership issues demand attention, with a disagreement on priorities. Romance blossoms through communication. Artistic creativity flows when allowed. Meditate on desired results. Articulate them symbolically.

Taurus

Try something new. Challenge assumptions. Don't try to convince someone who isn't listening. Refine your speech. Talk about what's in it for your partner. Unexpected romance could kindle. Let yourself get swept away.

Gemini

You can solve a puzzle together. Stick to basics. Consider different options, and obsess on details. Determine who will do what. Discover hidden benefits. Cheer each other on. Finish what you promised.

Cancer

Put your heart into your work, and it pays in unexpected ways. Restate what you're learning in your own words. Talk, write, post and broadcast. Issue communications and mail packages. Send love letters.

Leo

Take a creative tack in a passion project. Get into design. Consider ways to increase beauty and harmony. Look for hidden benefits. Someone attractive wants to play. This could make things much more interesting.

Virgo

Clean, sort and organize at home. Keep the good stuff, and give away the rest. Update home technology to increase efficiency. You're fascinated by the imagination of another. Romance comes calling when you least expect.

Libra

Frustrations are part of the creative process. Accept assistance. Punctuate the agreement with optimism. Express your passion, even if it makes a mess. Talk about what you love. Share your appreciations.

Scorpio

Discover a windfall. Provide reliable excellence for extra gain. Invest in your business to take advantage of lucrative opportunities. Someone finds your experience valuable. Keep to your budget. Get creative for profitable results.

Sagittarius

Pamper yourself a little. Try a new style. It doesn't need to get expensive ... nurture yourself with relaxation, soft music and hot water. Give in to artistic impulses. Create beauty. Find it in unexpected places.

Capricorn

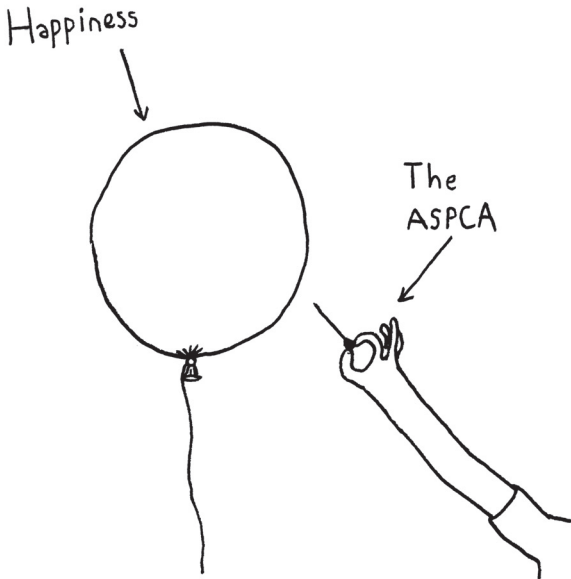
Slow down, and work in peace and quiet. Keep things simple and frugal. Resolve a long-standing problem without ruffling any feathers. Keep secrets and confidences. Be still, and discover beauty hidden in plain sight.

Aquarius

Networking and social interaction provides solutions and unconsidered perks. Hold meetings and cultivate your friendships. Provide support, and share resources. Talk about the work you love doing. Help each other out. Generate some buzz.


Pisces

Practice and study before the test. Invest in an investigation. Your influence is rising. Work interferes with playtime. Heed advice from experts, even when you don't agree. You gain more now through wit.



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ACROSS

1 Kate, to Petruchio

5 Works on walls

8 Apportioned, with "out"

13 Prayer leader

14 Sandwich staple

15 Bring forth

17 TV fare in Quebec?

20 Contributes

21 Spacewalk initials

22 See 2-Down

23 Marseilles : -euse :: Madrid : _

24 "Pensées" author

26 "... if I tell thee __, spit in my face": Falstaff

27 Move a bit

29 Very long time

30 Teammate of Hubbell

31 Communication device in Nova Scotia?

37 Friend of Huck

38 One working at home

39 Tool storage convenience in Manitoba?

47 Psychotic Chihuahua

48 Theban queen of myth

49 Boss's command

50 Works on walls

52 Reprimand often given while pointing down

55 Thin-rail bridge

56 "Get a __!"

57 Sea urchin roe, in sushi bars

58 Without restraint

60 Throat ailment in Alberta?

63 Additionally

64 DDE, e.g.

65 Speedy shark

66 Get to the bottom of

67 Weaken

68 Powerful team

DOWN

1 Like some chickens

2 With 22-Across, "See ya!"

3 Split and flattened, as shrimp

4 Personnel providing CPR

5 Olympic venue

6 Thick-pile rug

7 Vonage, for one

8 Osmium or rhodium

9 English cathedral city

10 Actress Campbell of TV's "Martin"

11 Rank

12 Igneous rock on which the Code of Hammurabi is inscribed

16 Brief statement, by necessity

18 Grave statement, briefly?

19 The Donald's first ex

25 Questionnaire datum

28 Rembrandt van _

32 Fiver

33 "Who, me?"

34 Furry youngster

35 Gp. for GPs

36 Apple product

39 Eccentric types

40 Undetermined

41 Liszt's instrument

42 Some games have multiple ones

43 Neptune, e.g.

44 Toll, basically

45 Take a dim view of

46 Doesn't quit

47 Synonym eponym

51 Wire holder

52 Monument Valley sight

53 Short

54 Original boss of Sara and Nick on "CSI"

59 Long ride?


61 Four-day weekend time, for many: Abbr.

62 Neptune's realm

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Softball wins five in a row



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South Carolina earned its 14th win this season and fifth consecutive win behind a combined no-hitter.

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The South Carolina softball team faced off against Western Carolina on Tuesday night in a defensive battle that the Gamecocks (14-2) won 1-0. The Gamecocks came home after posting a record of 4-1 in the Gaucho Classic in Santa Barbara, California, last week. Their perfect home record increased to 7-0 with Tuesday's win. South Carolina came out swinging well, earning five

hits in three innings. However, they had nothing to show for it as the farthest any runners got was second base. Freshman Kennedy Clark was a perfect 2-2 in those three innings. But in the bottom of the fourth, senior Ansley Ard ripped one down the right center, sending junior Taylor Williams — who had advanced to second off a wild pitch — home for the first and only score of the game. Junior Nickie Blue got the start on the mound for the Gamecocks and performed

well. She boosted her ERA by allowing zero runs in five innings. The Colorado native sent six batters to the dugout on strikeouts and only walked one. She improved her win/loss record to 4-2 on the season. Junior Jessica Elliott relieved Blue for the final innings and brought the Gamecocks the final six outs on seven batters. South Carolina will have home-field advantage the next four games as they host the Gamecock Invitational. Their first game is Friday at 4 p.m. against Kennesaw State.

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Hill followed up his sensational college debut with another very strong outing. Hill worked five scoreless innings while striking out eight batters. Through his first two starts, he has not allowed an earned run and has posted a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 19-2. The Gamecocks were ahead 5-0 when Hill left the mound. Despite their struggles against Hill, the Citadel did find success against reliever Tyler Johnson. Johnson opened the inning with a strikeout, but then proceeded to load the bases for Citadel first baseman Drew Ellis. Ellis cleared the

bases with a double to left field to put the Bulldogs in striking distance. Sophomore Brandon Murray came in for Johnson to put out the fire, managing to retire six consecutive batters to secure the Gamecock's lead. South Carolina continued to get on base at a high rate, but for the first time this season they struggled to convert those base runners into runs scored. Despite racking up 15 hits, the Gamecocks scored just 6 runs and stranded 16 men on base. Junior Dom Thompson-Williams excelled in the leadoff role, going 3-5 with a walk and a stolen base. John Jones, Alex Destino, Chris Cullen and Danny Blair also had multi-hit

games. With the win the Gamecocks are a perfect 9-0, but above all else this game was about getting their timing down before a huge weekend series with Clemson. Despite their undefeated start, some national pundits have been hesitant to move South Carolina too far up their rankings due to the relatively soft schedule that they have faced. A key series win against a quality opponent like Clemson could go a long way towards eliminating those concerns. The series begins at home on Friday before the teams play on a neutral site at Fluor Field in Greenville on Saturday. The series finale will be at Clemson on Sunday.

Column



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Curry best in NBA

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This a response to Joseph Crevier's column titled "Stephen Curry is overrated." After winning the 2015 NBA Finals, the Golden State Warriors have taken the basketball world by storm this season, opening the season with 24-straight wins while racing out to a 52-5 record thus far. With Saturday's overtime win over the Oklahoma City Thunder, the Warriors became the first team to clinch a playoff berth in February since the 1987-88 Los Angeles Lakers, a team that featured all-time greats Magic Johnson and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. While the Warriors are great as a team, they are led by the play of 2015 NBA Most Valuable Player Steph Curry, who is the runaway favorite to take the award again this season. Curry, son of former NBA player Dell Curry, is averaging 30.7 points per game this season, which isn't simply due to being a volume shooter. Curry converts a high rate of shots as well, ranking second in the league among guards, less than a tenth of a percentage point behind San Antonio's Tony Parker, with a 51.5 field goal percentage and third in the league among qualifying players in three point percentage, converting 46.8 percent of his attempts from beyond the arc. Curry is leaned on by his team far more than Parker — or San Antonio's Kawhi Leonard and the Clippers' J.J. Redick, who are ahead of Curry on the three-point percentage chart — which makes his percentages all the more impressive. While he also excels in the paint, particularly when you account for his size, Curry is known for his dominance from three-point land. In Saturday's win, the three-time all-star broke his own NBA record for made threes in a season with 288 (the previous record was 286). Oh, and Curry's 272 threes in 2012-13 rank third on the all-time list as well. To make the record more impressive, Curry has attempted 31 fewer shots from deep than he did in his record-breaking campaign last year, not to mention the fact that there are 25 games to play in the season. At his current rate, assuming he does not miss a game for the rest of the season, Curry will surpass 400 made threes this season, an absolute mind-blowing number considering no player had ever reached 300 before. Curry's production is made all the more impressive by his slight frame. At just 6-foot-3, 190 pounds, Curry's ability to weave around power forwards and centers around the rim is phenomenal, as his creativity often prevents his shots from getting turned away. "Chef Curry" has a set of skills never before seen in the NBA. In addition to being an elite shooter, Curry has exceptional ball-handling skills, makes phenomenal passes, and is a great finisher around the rim. Curry also has incredible range, which was on display yet again Saturday with his game-winner from well beyond 30 feet. Shots that would prompt most coaches to pull a player immediately seem to go in every time, and coach Steve Kerr simply can't be upset with his star taking long shots, as he converts them at such a high rate. There is simply no question: Steph Curry's skillset is unmatched, and he is one of the most unstoppable players in NBA history. *Note: All statistics are updated as of Tuesday prior to Golden State's matchup with the Atlanta Hawks.*